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I, Kenneth I. Kohn, do hereby state that plasmid pALK13 (ATCC Accession Number 207196) has been deposited under the provisions of the Budapest Treaty and with the American Type Culture Collection, Manassas, VA 20110-2209, USA, April 13, 1999. The plasmid has been accepted by an International Depository Authority under the provisions of the Budapest Treaty. Moreover, all restrictions upon public access to the deposit will be irrevocably removed upon the grant of a patent on this application.

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To: (Name and Address of Depositor or Attorney)

Victorian Institute of Animal Science Attn: Dr. Meri Sinistaj 475 Mickleham Road Attwood, Victoria 3049 Australia

Deposited on Behalf of: Agriculture Victoria Services

Identification Reference by Depositor:

ATCC Designation

Escherichia coli containing plasmid pALK13 containing DNA insert from Lawsonia intracellularis VIAS001

207196

The deposit was accompanied by: ___ a scientific description X a proposed taxonomic description indicated above. The deposit was received April 8, 1999 by this International Depository Authority and has been accepted.

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The strain will be made available if a patent office signatory to the Budapest Treaty certifies one's right to receive, or if a U.S. Patent is issued citing the strain, and ATCC is instructed by the United States Patent & Trademark Office or the depositor to release said strain.

If the culture should die or be destroyed during the effective term of the deposit; it shall be your responsibility to replace it with living culture of the same.

The strain will be maintained for a period of at least 30 years from date of deposit, or five years after the most recent request for a sample, whichever is longer. The United States and many other countries are signatory to the Budapest Treaty.

The viability of the culture cited above was tested April 13, 1999. On that date, the culture was viable.

International Depository Authority: American Type Culture Collection, Manassas, VA 20110-2209 USA.

Signature of person having authority to represent ATCC:

Barbara M. Hailey, Administrator, Patent Depository

Date: April 13, 1999

cc: Adrian Trioli